FACILITIES IN SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK

Giant Forest Area

GIANT FOREST SEQUOIA GROVE

6400' (1950m) elevation. Home of the world's biggest trees, it offers 40 miles (64 km) of walking or snowshoeing trails. Page 6 lists highlights.

• Giant Forest Museum (NPS): Daily 9am-4:30pm.Exhibits about the amazing Big Trees. Books, maps, first aid. 559-565-4480.

Lodgepole Area

SNOWPLAY AREA AT WOLVERTON

7250' (2160 m) elevation. Sledding hills two miles (3.2 km) north of the Sherman Tree. After snowstorms, it may take several hours for plows to get the area open. From December 23 through January 1 on Saturdays & Sundays from 10am-4 pm snacks, hot and cold drinks, and snow-play items sold at Wolverton.

- Be safe & considerate! Every year there are very serious injuries during snowplay. Safety tips: Use devices that are steerable. Don't sled or ski into roads. Steer clear of trees, rocks, and other obstacles. See additional safety information on page 5.
- Cross-country skis & snowshoes are rented at Wukaschi. Other snowplay gear is also sold. See hours below.
- Snowplay is prohibited in park residential areas, the Sherman Tree Trail area, and other areas as signed.

WUKSACHI VILLAGE

7200' (2160 m) elevation. Open year-round 4 miles (6.4 km) north of the General Sherman Tree. The center for lodging, food services, and cross-country ski & snowshoe rentals in Sequoia Park.

PAY TELEPHONES - At the main lodge, down stairs.

FOOD, SHOPS & LODGING (DNCPR) - Hours increase April 30.

- Dining Room: Daily: 7:30-9:30am; II:30am-2pm; 5-8:30pm. Dinner reservations required. Box lunches available. I-559-565-4070. Lounge Daily 5pm-8:30pm.
- Gift Shop: Daily 8am-7pm. Film, souvenirs, crafts, clothing, snacks.
- Wuksachi Lodge: See page 10 for details. Front desk 24 hours.
- Ski & Snowshoe Rentals: Daily downstairs in the lodge 11/22 -4/29, snow permitting. Snowplay equipment for sale.

CRYSTAL CAVE - CLOSED UNTIL APRIL

Cave tours are a summer highlight of the park! See the SNHA insert.

LODGEPOLE VILLAGE

6700' (2040 m) elevation. This development is a few miles north of Giant Forest, in beautiful Tokopah Canyon along the Marble Fork of the Kaweah River. Lodgepole Village offers:

SERVICES

- Lodgepole Campground (NPS): Open all year. Details on page 11.
- Post Office: Open all year. Weekdays 8am-1pm & 2-4pm. 1-559-565-3678. Lobby with stamp machine open 24 hours. Address mail to visitors: c/o General Delivery, Sequoia National Park, CA 93262.

PAY TELEPHONES

• In Lodgepole Village: Outside visitor center & market buildings.

INFORMATION (NPS) - CLOSED

- Visitor Center: Reopens in early May, 2007. 1-559-565-4436.
- Wilderness Permits: Required for backcountry overnight trips. Self-issue outside the visitor center. See page 4 for details.

FOOD & SHOPS (DNCPR) - CLOSED. Reopens mid-April 2007.

• Lodgepole Market, Gift Shop, Grill, Deli, Laundry & Showers.

Thanks to Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts and the National Park Foundation, who have made it easy for guests of Wuksachi Lodge to contribute to these parks.

Ask about the Guest Donation Program when you check in!



RANGER PROGRAMS

Park rangers may offer free walks & talks in the Giant Forest, Wuksachi, & the Foothills, usually on weekends & holidays.

Check bulletin boards for details.

Once it snows enough, free snowshoe walks are offered. Snowshoes are provided. Group size is limited; make reservations at any visitor center or call 1-559-565-4480. Ask at visitor centers & see local bulletin boards for times, locations, & topics. Call for reservations at 1-559-565-4480. Snowshoeing may be strenuous & difficult for small children. Not enough snow? Look for alternate programs.

Foothills Area

500-3500' (457-1067 m) elevation. A land of oaks, chaparral, and river canyons, hot summers and snow-free winters, the foothills have the greatest biological diversity in these parks. Park headquarters is here at Ash Mountain. In addition to picnic areas (page 3), the foothills offer:

- Pay Telephones: Foothills Visitor Center (by front door), Potwisha Campground, Hospital Rock Picnic Area (on restroom wall).
- Visitor Center (NPS): Daily 8am-4:3opm. Exhibits, books, maps, bear canisters, first aid, local wilderness permits. Pay phone outdoors. I-559-565-3I35.
- Potwisha Campground (NPS): Year-round. Details on page 11.

Mineral King Area - closed This area closes November 1 through late May.

Due to illegal activities causing resource damage, Mineral King Road is gated at the park boundary (about 9 miles from Highway 198). With a permit from the Foothills Visitor Center (see hours above), visitors can get permission to go through it. You can only go as far as the old winter gate, another 8 miles up (weather permitting). The end of the road is approximately 8 miles beyond that.

7800' (2380 m) elevation. This subalpine valley at the end of a steep, narrow, difficult road closes October 31 - May 25. No RVs, buses, or trailers, please. There is no electricity or gasoline.

- Pay Telephones: Cold Springs Campground, Sawtooth parking area.
- Ranger Station (NPS): Closed for season. Self-register for wilderness permits on the porch.
- Silver City Mountain Resort: Closed. Cabins, chalets, bakery, showers, small store, restaurant. I-559-56I-3223; winter 805-528-2730; www.silvercityresort.com.
- Camping (NPS): No RVs or trailers. Details: page II.